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16. (New) An analgesic preparation comprising,

a) element A, which further comprises at least one locally acting analgesic having a rapid onset of action,

b) element B, which further comprises a core tablet having at least one systemically acting analgesic having sustained action,

and wherein element A is a coating that encloses at least a portion of said core tablet's surface area.

17. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 16, wherein element A entirely encloses element B.

18. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 16, wherein element A encloses less than 100% of element B's surface area.

19. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 16, wherein the at least one locally acting analgesic is selected from the group consisting of benzocaine, amethocaine, amylcaine, butacaine, butoxyacaine, butyl aminobenzoate, chloroprocaine, chlorprocaine, cyclomethycaine, isobutamben, meprylcaine, oxybuprocaine, procaine, propiprocaine, proxymetacaine, tricaine, lidocaine, bupivacaine, butanilcaine, carticaine, cinchocaine, clibucaine, etidocaine, mepivacaine, oxethazaine, prilocaine, ropivacaine, ethyl p-piperidinoacetyl-aminobenzoate, tolycaine, trimecaine and vadocaine.

20. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 16, wherein the at least one systemically acting analgesic having sustained action, is selected from the group

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consisting of aceclofenac, alclofenac, bromofenac, diclofenac, fenclofenac, acemetacin, amfenac sodium, bendazac, glucametacin, oxametacin, acetanilide, alminoprofen, ibuprofen, ketoprofen, flurbiprofen, naproxen, oxaprozin, acetyl salicylic acid, salts of acetylsalicylic acid, diflunisal, etersalate, fosfosal, salol, salsalate, salacetamide, amidopyrine, dipyrone, droxicam, Isoxicam, piroxicam, azapropazone, bumadizone calcium, oxyphenbutazone, etodolac, galfenine, sodium meclofenamate, mifepristone, morniflumate, idomethacin, paracetamol, paracetamol derivatives, anirolac, benzpiperylone, benzylamine hydrochloride, sodium butibufen, chlorphenoxazine, clonmetacin, clonixin, cloracetadol, difenpiramide, diproqualone, etenazamide, famprofazone, flupirtine maleate, ibuprofex, indoprofen, isamfazone, meloxicam, metiazinic acid, metifenazone, nifenazone, niflumic acid, mimesulide, pirazolac, pranoprofen, proquazone, protizinic acid and ramifenazone.

21. (New) An analgesic preparation comprising an element A and an element B, wherein,

a) element A further comprises at least one locally acting analgesic having a rapid onset of action, said at least one locally acting analgesic being selected from the group consisting of benzocaine, amethocaine, amylcaine, butacaine, butoxycaine, butyl aminobenzoate, chlorprocaine, chlormecaine, cyclomethycaine, Isobutaben, mepylcaine, oxybuprocaine, procaine, propipocaine, proxymetacaine, tricaine, lidocaine, bupivacaine, butanilicaine, carticaine, cinchocaine, clibucaine, etidocaine, mepivacaine, oxethazaine, prilocaine, ropivacaine, ethyl p-piperidinoacetyl-aminobenzoate, tolycaine, trimecaine and vadocalne; and

b) element B comprises at least one systemically acting analgesic having sustained action.

22. (New) An analgesic preparation comprising an element A and an element B, wherein,

a) element A further comprises at least one locally acting analgesic having a rapid onset of action; and

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b) element B further comprises at least one systemically acting analgesic having sustained action, wherein said at least one systemically acting analgesic is selected from the group consisting of aceclofenac, alclofenac, bromofenac, diclofenac, fenclofenac, acetacetin, amfenac sodium, bendazac, glucametacin, oxametacin, acetanilide, alminoprofen, ibuprofen, ketoprofen, flurbiprofen, naproxen, oxaprozin, acetyl salicylic acid, salts of acetyl salicylic acid, diflunisal, etersalate, fosfosal, salol, salsalate, salacetamide, amidopyrine, dipyrone, droxicam, Isoxicam, piroxicam, azapropazone, bumadizone calcium, oxyphenbutazone, etodolac, galfenine, sodium meclofenamate, mefenamic acid, morniflumate, idomethacin, paracetamol, paracetamol derivatives, anirolac, benzpiperylone, benzylamine hydrochloride, sodium butibufen, chlorphenoxazine, cinmetacin, clonixin, cloracetadol, difenpiramide, diproqualone, etenazamide, famprofazone, flupirtine maleate, ibuprofex, indoprofen, isamfazone, meloxicam, metiazinic acid, metifenazone, nifenazone, niflumic acid, mimesulide, pirazolac, pranoprofen, proquazone, protizinic acid and ramifenazone.

23. (New) An analgesic preparation comprising,

- a) element A, which further comprises at least one locally acting analgesic having a rapid onset of action,
- b) element B, which further comprises at least one systemically acting analgesic having sustained action,

and wherein element A and element B are each independently provided in said preparation in a manner that resists commingling of said element A and element B until administration of said preparation to a subject.

24. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 23, wherein the preparation is a chewable gum or chewable candy that further comprises at least one distinct region having

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element A, and at least one distinct region having element B, and wherein said regions do not commingle prior to administering said preparation to a subject.

25. (New) The analgesic preparation according to claim 23, wherein the preparation is a solid form of candy, having a liquid center.


26. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 24, wherein the regions are juxtaposed in a pattern of bar-shaped stripes.

27. (New) The analgesic preparation of claim 24, wherein the regions comprising each of said element A or B, further comprise layers, stacked one on top of the other.

CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

If any extension of time for this response is required, Applicants request that this be considered a petition therefore. Please charge the required fee to Deposit Account No. 14-1263.

ADDITIONAL FEES

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REMARKS

Claims 1-15 are pending in the application. New claims 16-27 have been added. These new claims do not introduce new matter or new issues. Further, the claims are supported by the specification.

Applicants again gratefully acknowledge Examiner's allowance of claims 10, 11 and 14.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of claim 9. Nowhere in Nelson is there described a "core tablet" having a coating, wherein the rapid onset and sustained